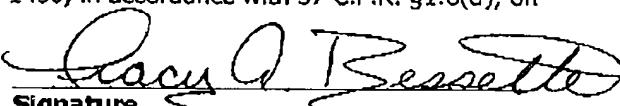


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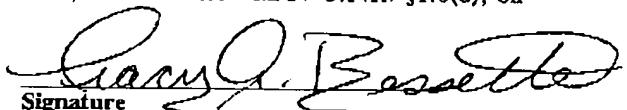
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In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Claims**

Please add the following new claims:

57. (New) The method of claim 1, comprising adjusting the A/B ratio of the heat-treated particulate composition to a value of greater than 1.0.

58. (New) The method of claim 1, comprising adjusting the A/B ratio of the heat-treated composition by depositing a coating comprising a divalent metal compound on surfaces of particles of the heat-treated composition.

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